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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether one of the objectives of `Bharat Nirman` is to bring additional hectares of land under the assured irrigation;

(b) if so, the physical target set for the financial year, 2005-2006;

(c) the expenditure likely to be incurred under the Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP); and

(d) the funds allocated in the budget for the year 2005-06?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V.RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) : Yes, sir.

(b): A physical target of 1.90 million hectare has been set for the financial year 2005- 06 comprising new potential as also restored potential.

(c)& (d): A provision of Rs 4800 crore has been made in the budget of 2005-06 for AIBP and other water resources programmes of the Ministry of Water Resources. No expenditure under AIBP has been incurred so far in the current year.